11. Type of Indebtedness (tick ~ one and indicate score)

(i) Daily consumption purposes from normal source

(ii) For production purposes from normal source

(iii) For other purposes from normal source

(iv) Borrowing from institutional agencies

(v) No indebtedness and possess assets

12 Reason for migration (tick ~one ana indicate score)

(i) Casual work

(ii) Seasonal employment

(iii) Other forms of livelihood

(iv) Non-migrant

(v) Other purposes

13 Preference for Assistance (tick ~one and indicate score)

(i) Wage employment

(ii) Self-employment

(iii) Training and skill upgradation

(iv) Housing

(v) Loan/Subsidy more than Rs One lakh or no assistance required

Mafia operating in Cochin Port Trust

1120. SHRIMATI PREMA ARIAPPA
SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there are a lot of Mafia operating in Cochin Port Trust:

(b) whether it is also a fact that the illegal charges recovered by Mafia increase the input cost of the various operations handled in CPT: and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government to relieve the CPT from Mafia operations?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING. ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) Instances of extortion by a group of persons operating in the name of a trade union in Cochin has come to notice of

Government. Chairman, Cochin Port Trust took up the matter with State Government and with their help the activity of illegal extortion has been curbed to a large extent. Besides, Cochin Port has also initiated measures to control the illegal activities by ensuring open and transparent system of labour booking and hiring of trailers and trucks. The labour bookings are now made through the Kerala headload Workers Welfare Board, an organization run by the Labour Department of Government of Kerala.

PF of seamen

1121.SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE:
SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the strong resentment prevailing among the foreign going seafarers about non-reimbursement of Rs. 100 crores of PF default by the office of the Director General of Shipping;

(b) if so, the status of Government decision to reimburse the money so that seamen get the required PF amount in time;

(c) wnether Government are enquiring into the reason for the inordinate delay in taking decision in the matter: and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (d) The Government has taken a decision to recoup the entire loss of Rs. 92.78 crores of the Seamen's Provident Fund in order to protect the interests of the seafarers.

Deceleration in growth of road insfrastructure

1122. PROF ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether road sector projects are proving to be speed-breakers along the infrastructure highway, with the sector being the poorest performer among all sectors during 2006: